GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

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DELHI RENT ACT, 1995
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Rent Act, 1995 is pending with Parliament for its amendments;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of amendments that are being undertaken in the Act; and

(d) the time by which the amendments are likely to be enforced?

Answer

MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a)to(c): The Delhi Rent (Amendment) Bill, 1997 was introduced inthe Rajya Sabha to amend the Delhi Rent Act, 1995.The Bill was thereafter referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee onUrban & Rural Development for examination. The Committee examined the Bill in detail from time to time and submitted its report to the Parliament in December, 2000 suggesting some changes in the Amendment Bill. These changes relate to:-

(i) increasein the period of heritability from three years to five years in respect of tenancies of non-residential premeses in the event of death of an individual tenant subject to fulfillment of certain conditions.

(ii) providing for a format and procedure for the rent agreement.

(iii) Increase in the limit of monthly rent payable from Rs.3500/- to Rs.7500/- for the purpose of applicablility of the Act.

(d): The Delhi Rent Act, 1995 with amendments will be enforced asand when the same is passed by both the Houses of Parliament and assented to by the President and from the date as may be notified for this purpose.